(The following information comes from a weekly update supplied concerning the tribal government, local communities and issues that affect overall tribal business. The department or persons involved is shown at the end of each item. If the item is general in nature, PA will appear for Public Affairs)

(General area items)

LaPorte leaving! The news about the resignation of Jim LaPorte as the General Manager at the Little River Casino Resort has hit the media. Stories were run in most local newspapers and interviews were given to local radio stations. LaPorte is leaving to take a position with a gaming concern in Oklahoma. Government offices will be closed for Thanksgiving! Government office will be closed on November 22nd and

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(Tribal Government-Department items)

Council Event. The Tribal Council held a dinner for local dignitaries and political leaders at the new "Makwa Endaat" Event Center on Saturday the 17th. The very nice affair introduced the group to the new facility. Council also arranged for a concert following the event by Bomshel who were held over from their concert the 16th. December Currents Out! The December issue of the tribal newspaper was completed and distribution begun on the 15th. You may access it on line at www.lrboi.com under the Public Affairs tab; pick up a copy at government offices or you should receive it in the mail at your home address within the next two weeks.

Education Department. The department will be closed on the 26th and 27th of November. The department staff is involved in traveling on a youth program. Applications are still available at the front desk in the Administration Building.

Management Training. Melissa Waitner from the Grants Department made presentations of plaques to a number of tribal government employees for completion of extensive management training. Details and photos will be in the next Currents

Utility Department Presentation was made to the Employee Luncheon to explain the work of the department. This included a description by Director Gary Lewis of the facility and then individual presentations by staff on the work. They also had a great give-away process where some employees had to fish (in really yucky stuff) for prizes. Photos will be in the Currents.

(Emergency Management items)